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... EDITORIAL COMMENT ...

School Opening Recalls History

Official opening ceremonies for the new Stewarttown school prompted Esqueting township clerk K. C. Lindsay to look up a few statistics which provide an interesting glimpse at the past.

The old school, now abandoned, was first established 103 years ago.

In township records, a by-law passed on June 29th, 1858, first mentioned money in dollars instead of the pounds and shillings formerly used as currency. The average annual salaries of male teachers that year was \$380 and of lady teachers \$190. Total education cost for the year 1858 was \$7960.49. There were 190 pupils attending school, though only 262 of these attended for a full year. Average cost of education

per pupil was \$4.00 for the year.

School trustees of that day would hardly visualize what has happened a century later in their community. A completely modern 5-room school, with automatic heat, cheerfully painted classrooms and a well paid staff, has replaced the old one-room structure. Pupils from a distance arrive by bus, rather than trudging the miles along a busy roadway. A central school board administers business details for a number of schools, and deals in terms of thousands of dollars these days. And the trend in this part of Ontario is to get away from the one-room school in favour of larger central buildings which do not burden one teacher with the task of teaching eight grades.

One Room Had Advantages

No one can quarrel with the fact that consolidating rural schools has advantages which far outweigh those that country students of past generations might have enjoyed.

But the scale is not all one-sided.

A rural teacher of ten years ago or more, who had something on the ball, was a commanding force in the community. "It takes a heap o' learning" as a poet once said, and we have the highest admiration for a man or woman who would take on the job of teaching the whole public school curriculum and keep order among a group of young people, some of whom were not much younger than himself. Pioneer teachers, like pioneer workers, did things which, in our modern society, would just not go. Like the days when men worked a 60 hour week in the mills, when store clerks were on the job two or three nights a week and when a housewife toiled from sunup, baked her own bread, washed by hand, churned butter and made the chil-

dren's clothes, one room schools are being relegated to a historic niche.

Perhaps the one advantage that pupils received from attending such a school, was developing the ability early in life to think for themselves. It was not by design, but by necessity. Lessons could not be taught as carefully, nor explained as fully, in the one-room school. Those who mastered their studies on their own were truly educated, for isn't education mainly the development of the mind to do its own thinking?

But for every pupil who so did, there was the one who needed, and didn't get, the attention present-day scholars receive in their individual classrooms.

Perhaps it is that the successful men and women who graduated from country schools to positions of importance in their community did so because their ability was great enough to overcome the disadvantage of their educational system. It would be a fine subject for debate, wouldn't it?

Check the Voters' List

Notice of posting of the town and township voters' lists appears in this issue of the Herald.

The printed lists, available for scrutiny at the town office on Main Street and the township office at Stewarttown, are not necessarily 100 per cent correct. They are copies of the assessment roll as of the end of September, and with such rapid population changes in this district, and the length of time needed for assessors to prepare their rolls, the lists contain several names of residents who have moved to other centres, and omit some who have moved to the community in the past few months.

A 14 day period is allowed for the municipal clerks to add names to the printed lists after they are first posted. Final date for this in

Esqueting is Nov. 27th and in Georgetown, Nov. 28th.

Any of the newer residents in town or township who want to be assured of their vote, should check immediately, as it is impossible, once the deadline date has passed, for the clerk to add a name, no matter how valid the qualifications.

Aliens, incidentally, unless naturalized Canadians, have no vote in a municipal election, nor do people under the age of 21. Such names were eliminated from the assessment records before the voters' lists were printed, and if, by chance, such a name were included, the person would technically not be allowed to vote if challenged at the polls.

BALLINAFAD

INSTITUTE HAS GIFT SHOWER FOR CEDARVALE

The W.A. met for their November meeting on Tuesday of last week at the home of Mrs. L. Marshall. There were eleven members and two visitors answered the roll call by telling about their

most embarrassing moment. The theme for the worship taken by Mrs. R. McEnery was "Sharing God's Gifts" and for the scripture she read the second chapter of Luke, verses 36-38. Mrs. Frank Smith was the program convener and she read two humorous readings "The ten commandments for charm" and "It takes a heap o' living to make a house a home." A shower of gifts for the Cedarvale School girls were brought in by the members and they made plans for their afternoon tea and bazaar on the last Saturday in November, and their Christmas meeting which will be held at the president's home, Mrs. Madill and Mrs. F. W. Shortill were assisted by the hostess in serving a delicious lunch.

The Evening Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. C. Snow on Thursday night with a good attendance. The worship was taken by Mrs. P. White and the topic by Mrs. M. Baker and the roll call was answered by a thought for the day. Nominating and program committees were appointed for the coming year and plans were discussed for the Christmas party. Lunch was served.

Other groups in the church met

ing this week were the CGIT on Monday night when they worked at crafts preparing for the sale of Christmas gifts at the W.A. bazaar on November 28th. They also sewed the chevrons on their mid-dies and practiced music for the Christmas candlelight service. The YPU group also met on Sunday night and in place of their regular meeting they attended the pres-byterial church service and rally at Streetsville. Rev. Pritchard of Runnymede church in Toronto was the special speaker.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Wanless from Agincourt visited on Sunday with her sister, Mrs. C. Snow and family.

LAWN BOWLERS SPONSOR EUCHRE AT STEWARTTOWN

A euchre under the auspices of the Georgetown lawn bowlers was held in Stewarttown hall on Wednesday, November 12th with many tables in play.

Among the prizewinners were Mrs. Fern Thompson, 1st for ladies, Mrs. Sid Robin, 2nd, and Mrs. Van Vleet, low score. Mrs. Clare Wilson was 1st for men. Jim Steele of Acton was second and Mrs. William Graham low. A scarcity of men players made it necessary for

CLERK'S NOTICE OF FIRST POSTING OF Voters' Lists

Voters' List, 1958 Municipality of Georgetown

NOTICE is hereby given that I have complied with Section 8 of the Voters' List Act, and that I have posted up at my office at Georgetown on the 14th day of November, 1958, the list of all persons entitled to vote in the said Municipality at the Municipal elections and that such list remains there for inspection. And I hereby call upon all voters to take immediate proceedings to have any errors or omissions corrected according to law, the last day of appeal being the 28th day of November, 1958.
 DATED this 14th day of November, 1958.
 C. G. BENHAM,
 Clerk of Georgetown

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 DATED this 13th day of November, 1958.
 K. C. LINDSAY,
 Clerk of Esqueting

DAMAGE IS \$500 IN 3-CAR COLLISION

Damage estimated at over \$1500 resulted when cars driven by Henry J. Thur, of Elmira, Edwin Barlow of Rockwood and L. Hurburts of LaValle Des Rapids, P.Q. were involved in collision on No. 7 Highway near the western entrance to town on Monday.

The collision occurred when two of the cars stopped to allow a truck to make a left turn into Wildwood. The third vehicle unable to stop knocked the second car ahead in the back of the first.

The damage was divided \$700 to the 58 Consul driven by Edwin Barlow, \$600 to the '57 Buick driven by Hurburts and \$250 to the '54 Hudson driven by Thur. Cst. Ted Scott investigated the accident.

CHIROPRACTOR ATTENDS NUTRITIONAL SYMPOSIUM

D. Gay, partner with E. Tetrault in Georgetown Chiropractic Clinic, is planning to attend a nutritional symposium at the Frontenac Arms Hotel, Toronto, this Saturday and Sunday.


The symposium, being sponsored by Robert and Son, a firm of distributors, will include several distinguished speakers including Dr. Royal Lee, one of the world's leading authorities on nutrition, Dr. Leo Roy, Dr. Lyman Johnston and Dr. W. J. McCormick of Toronto all authorities in their fields of medicine and chiropractic. Nutrition, and its specific application to human diseases, will be discussed in detail, and products will be discussed as to their application to actual cases, which confront doctors and chiropractors daily.

some of the women to fill in and two of them shared in the prizes.

The door prize was won by Frank McNeven of Milton, and in the lucky draw for a pair of flannellette sheets, Mrs. Albert Pattenden was the winner. A pair of pillow cases was won by Leona Conn.

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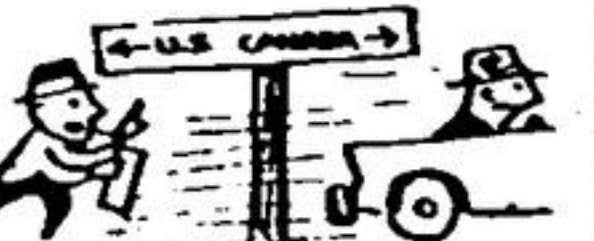
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